

## **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST FOR ESB 187**

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-1-21; IC 20-8.1-15-10.

**Synopsis:** School performance report; graduation rate. Changes certain components of school corporation annual performance reports. Specifies additional groups of students who are not included in determining a school's graduation rate. **(This conference committee report does the following: (1) Removes language concerning student instructional days, changing the requirements for a student with disabilities to receive a graduation waiver, allowing a veteran of the Korean Conflict or Vietnam Conflict to receive a high school diploma, and prohibiting a school from being placed in a performance category until the school has received funding to carry out the school improvement and achievement plan. (2) Adds provisions concerning the determination of a school's graduation rate. (3) Reconciles conflicts between the provisions of HEA 1120-2003 and ESB 187 and makes certain additional changes to the school corporation's annual performance report. )**

**Effective:** July 1, 2003.

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

*Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the House upon Engrossed House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 187 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:*

that the Senate recede from its dissent from all House amendments and that the Senate now concur in all House amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

- 1 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 2 SECTION 1. IC 20-1-21-4, AS AMENDED BY HEA 1120-2003,
- 3 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 4 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) Not earlier than January 15 or later than
- 5 January 31 of each year, the governing body of a school corporation
- 6 shall publish an annual performance report of the school corporation,
- 7 in compliance with the procedures identified in section 8 of this
- 8 chapter. The report must be published one (1) time annually under
- 9 IC 5-3-1.
- 10 (b) The department shall make each school corporation's annual
- 11 performance report, **including a full and comprehensive report of**
- 12 **disaggregated student achievement data**, available on the
- 13 department's Internet web site.
- 14 (c) The governing body of a school corporation ~~may~~ **shall** make the
- 15 school corporation's annual performance report, **including a full and**
- 16 **comprehensive report of disaggregated student achievement data**,
- 17 available on the school corporation's Internet web site. **The**
- 18 **disaggregated student achievement data may be provided through**
- 19 **an Internet link to the department's web site.**
- 20 ~~(c)~~ (d) The governing body of a school corporation shall provide a
- 21 copy of the annual performance report to any person who requests a
- 22 copy. The governing body may not charge a fee for providing the copy.

(e) A full and comprehensive report of disaggregated student achievement data shall be available to any person who requests a copy. The governing body may not charge a fee for providing the copy.

SECTION 2. IC 20-1-21-7, AS AMENDED BY HEA 1120-2003, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. A report must contain the following:

(1) The information listed in section 9 of this chapter for each of the preceding three (3) years.

(2) Additional components determined under section 8(4) of this chapter.

(3) Additional information or explanation that the governing body wishes to include, including the following:

(A) Results of assessments of students under programs other than the ISTEP program that a school corporation uses to determine if students are meeting or exceeding academic standards. ~~in grades that are not tested under the ISTEP program.~~

(B) The number and types of staff professional development programs.

(C) The number and types of partnerships with the community, business, or higher education.

(D) Levels of parental participation.

SECTION 3. IC 20-1-21-9, AS AMENDED BY HEA 1120-2003, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. The report must include the following information:

(1) Student enrollment.

(2) Graduation rate (as defined in IC 20-8.1-15-6).

(3) Attendance rate.

(4) The following test scores, including the number and percentage of students meeting academic standards:

(A) ISTEP test scores.

(B) Scores for assessments under IC 20-10.1-16-15, if appropriate.

~~(C) For a freeway school, scores on a locally adopted assessment program, if appropriate.~~

(5) Average class size.

(6) The number and percentage of students in the following groups or programs:

(A) Alternative education, if offered.

(B) Vocational education.

(C) Special education.

(D) Gifted or talented, if offered.

(E) Remediation.

(F) Limited English language proficiency.

(G) Students receiving free or reduced price lunch under the national school lunch program.

(7) Advanced placement, including the following:

(A) For advanced placement tests, the **number and** percentage of students:

(i) scoring three (3), four (4), and five (5); and

- 1 (ii) taking the test.
- 2 (B) For the Scholastic Aptitude Test:
- 3 (i) test scores for all students taking the test;
- 4 (ii) test scores for students completing the academic honors
- 5 diploma program; and
- 6 (iii) the **number and** percentage of students taking the test.
- 7 (8) Course completion, including the number and percentage of
- 8 students completing the following programs:
- 9 (A) Academic honors diploma.
- 10 (B) Core 40 curriculum.
- 11 (C) Vocational programs.
- 12 (9) The percentage of grade 8 students enrolled in algebra I.
- 13 (10) The percentage of graduates who pursue higher education.
- 14 (11) School safety, including the number of students receiving
- 15 suspension or expulsion for the possession of alcohol, drugs, or
- 16 weapons.
- 17 (12) Financial information and various school cost factors,
- 18 including the following:
- 19 (A) Expenditures per pupil.
- 20 (B) Average teacher salary.
- 21 (C) Remediation funding.
- 22 (13) Technology accessibility and use of technology in instruction.
- 23 (14) Interdistrict and intradistrict student mobility rates, if that
- 24 information is available.
- 25 (15) The number and percentage of each of the following within
- 26 the school corporation:
- 27 (A) Teachers who are certificated employees (as defined in
- 28 IC 20-7.5-1-2).
- 29 (B) Teachers who teach the subject area for which the teacher is
- 30 certified and holds a license.
- 31 (C) Teachers with national board certification.
- 32 (16) The percentage of grade 3 students reading at ~~or above~~ grade
- 33 3 level.
- 34 (17) The number of students expelled, including the number
- 35 participating in other recognized education programs during their
- 36 expulsion.
- 37 (18) Chronic absenteeism, which includes the number of students
- 38 who have been absent more than ten (10) days from school within
- 39 a school year without being excused.
- 40 (19) Other indicators of performance as recommended by the
- 41 education roundtable (IC 20-1-20.5-3).
- 42 SECTION 4. IC 20-8.1-15-10, AS ADDED BY HEA 1120-2003,
- 43 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 44 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 10. The graduation rate for a cohort in a high
- 45 school is the percentage determined under STEP SEVEN of the
- 46 following formula:
- 47 STEP ONE: Determine the grade 9 enrollment at the beginning of
- 48 the reporting year three (3) years before the reporting year for
- 49 which the graduation rate is being determined.
- 50 STEP TWO: Add:
- 51 (A) the number determined under STEP ONE; and

(B) the number of students who:

- (i) have enrolled in the high school after the date on which the number determined under STEP ONE was determined; and
- (ii) have the same expected graduation year as the cohort.

STEP THREE: Add:

- (A) the sum determined under STEP TWO; and
- (B) the number of retained students from earlier cohorts who became members of the cohort for whom the graduation rate is being determined.

STEP FOUR: Add:

- (A) the sum determined under STEP THREE; and
- (B) the number of students who:
  - (i) began the reporting year in a cohort that expects to graduate during a future reporting year; and
  - (ii) graduate during the current reporting year.

STEP FIVE: Subtract from the sum determined under STEP FOUR the number of students who have left the cohort for any of the following reasons:

- (A) Transfer to another public or nonpublic school.
- (B) Removal by the student's parents under IC 20-8.1-3-34 to provide instruction equivalent to that given in the public schools.
- (C) Withdrawal because of a long term medical condition or death.
- (D) Detention by a law enforcement agency or the department of correction.
- (E) Placement by a court order or the division of family and children.
- (F) Enrollment in a virtual school.
- (G) Graduation before the beginning of the reporting year.
- (H) Students who have ~~left school and whose location cannot be determined.~~ **attended school in Indiana for less than one (1) year and whose location cannot be determined.**
- (I) **Students who cannot be located within the boundaries of the school corporation and have been reported to the Indiana clearinghouse for missing and exploited children.**

STEP SIX: Determine the total number of students who have graduated during the current reporting year.

STEP SEVEN: Divide:

- (A) the number determined under STEP SIX; by
- (B) the remainder determined under STEP FIVE.

SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] **(a) Notwithstanding IC 20-1-21-4, as amended by this act, the governing body of a school corporation is not required to publish an annual performance report of the school corporation in calendar year 2003. However, the annual performance report of a school corporation that is published in January 2004 must include the information that would have been included in the annual performance report published in 2003 if IC 20-1-21-4 had not been amended by this act.**

**(b) This SECTION expires February 1, 2004.**

SECTION 6. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

(Reference is to ESB 187 as reprinted April 11, 2003.)

**Conference Committee Report**  
**on**  
**Engrossed Senate Bill 187**

**S**igned by:

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Chairperson

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Representative Porter

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Senator Breaux

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**Senate Conferees**

**House Conferees**